

MCW Partnership Council  
Ad Hoc Budget Committee  
Meeting Minutes

March 8, 2016

Present:

Fredi-Ellen Bove

Sue Gadacz

Tony Shields

David Whelan

Mary Pat Bohn

Linda Davis

Alison McMorro

Sarah Henery

Senator Nikiya Harris Dodd

Recorder:

Rachael Kumm

- Welcome and Introductions
- Review of Notice of Public Meeting
- Review of statutory charge for funding recommendations. – recommend funding priority for Milwaukee County CPS, submit recommendations,
- Review current 2015-2017 biennium DCF Overarching Goals
  - Children are nurtured, safe and engaged
  - Prevention and early intervention efforts are enhanced throughout Wisconsin
  - Families will have access to quality early care and education
  - Parents will achieve economic security and stability through employment
  - More fathers will be engaged in the lives of their children
- DCF anticipated 2017-2019 biennial budget priorities
  - Next budget to be released February 2017
  - Guidance from Secretary Anderson
    - Build on strategic priorities for current biennium
    - Families involved in multiple systems
    - Developing non-custodial parental employment programs
    - Create an organizational structure that provides increased organizational quality, effectiveness
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> generation strategy
    - Early childhood education, prevention of entering systems (CPS, JJ)

- Focusing on family entities as a whole.
- Reflection of past presentations at Partnership Council Meetings and Committee Meetings
  - Adverse Childhood Experiences and the impact of trauma
  - Increase of Opioid dependence
  - Foster care system as it relates to educational outcomes
  - Home Visiting program – Strengthening Families through YoungStar
  - Sex trafficking victim assistance
    - Resources and best practices
  - Advocating for cross system support
  - Focusing on specific populations of children and families
    - Adolescents on the verge of being involved with juvenile justice
    - Returning youth from Lincoln Hills and Copper Lake
    - Adolescent AODA treatment services
    - Child and adolescent mental health services for those without a severe emotional disturbance (SED)
    - Pro-se CHIPS children
- Consideration for existing and potential revenue streams
  - TANF Grant funds – already funding Family Drug Treatment Court, could fund Healthy Infant/Safe Baby Court and or Adolescent AODA
  - Substance Abuse Block Grant
    - Review of base funding reallocated to better fit priorities.
    - Greater emphasis on prevention
  - Healthy Infant/Safe Baby Court funding as a standing item instead of a 1-time grant.
  - Intense Focus on Prevention and Early Intervention– also define specifics of what prevention means.
- Review Family First Act
  - Changes to IV-E
  - Provides services to families and kin to prevent OHC placement
  - Emphasis on AODA and mental health
  - Preventing more out-of-home placements especially those at group homes
    - Limits length of time residing in a congregate home setting
  - Changes the requirements for RTC to be clinically recognized and have a treatment model implemented by licensed and clinically trained staff.
- Next Steps
  - Sue Gadacz to email members to schedule next meeting.
  - Recommendations goal to present to all members at May Partnership Council meeting.

- Suggested review of current services vs. needed services in white paper/gap analysis.